



You  
could  
be  
burning  
more  
than  
garbage.

If you burn your garbage, you could be burning out your lungs.

That's because garbage and other materials release toxic chemicals into the air as they burn. Breathing them in can lead to asthma, chronic emphysema and cancer. If you are cited for burning garbage, there can also be a fine of up to \$25,000. Learn before you burn. To find out about alternatives to burning your garbage or to report illegal burning, call the Division for Air Quality at 1-888-BURN-LAW. It all adds up to cleaner air.





**The tomato you eat tomorrow  
may be toxic because of the garbage  
you burn today.**

Many of the items in your garbage contain hazardous chemicals that can lead to cancer, asthma, chronic emphysema and nervous system damage. When you burn your garbage or other materials, these chemicals are released into the air. They settle on the soil and in water where they can be absorbed by the food we grow. If that doesn't make you want to stop burning your garbage, then perhaps the possibility of a fine of up to \$25,000 will. Learn before you burn. To find out about alternatives to burning your garbage or to report illegal burning, call the Division for Air Quality at 1-888-BURN-LAW. It all adds up to cleaner air.

